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Applicant:

Marion Elke Hofmann et al.

Art Unit:

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Serial No.:

09/445,362

Examiner:

Carlson, K.

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Title:

MYOCARDIUM-AND SKELETAL MUSCLE-SPECIFIC

NUCLEIC ACID, ITS PREPARATION AND USE

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(a) and MPEP 711.03(c)(I) and (II), applicants hereby petition to have the Notice of Abandonment that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on April 28, 2004 be withdrawn. A copy of the Notice is enclosed. According to the Notice, the application was abandoned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137 for applicants' failure to reply to an Office Action that, according to the Patent Office, was mailed on September 16, 2003. However, as explained below, this Office Action was never received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The undersigned, applicants' attorney of record, first became aware of the abandonment on April 30, 2004, upon receipt of the Notice of Abandonment, and submits that this petition to withdraw the Notice is being promptly submitted as required by MPEP 711.03(c)(I).

The following documents are submitted as proof that a Notice was never received.

1. A copy of all docket reminders from the attorney's CPI patent docketing system for the above-referenced application, indicating an Office Action was never received.

Also enclosed is an original signed declaration by:

1. Karen L. Elbing, Ph.D., attesting on the basis of personal knowledge that the Office Action was never received.

Applicants submit that they never received an Office Action and request that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn. In addition, applicants request that a new Office Action be issued.

If there are any charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 4 May 2004

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DECLARATION OF KAREN L. ELBING, Ph.D.

I, Karen L. Elbing, declare as follows:

I am a partner in the law firm of Clark & Elbing LLP and an attorney of record in the above-captioned case.

I first became aware of the abandonment of the above-captioned application on April 30, 2004, upon receipt of a Notice of Abandonment. I submit that the accompanying petition to withdraw the Notice is being promptly submitted as required by MPEP 711.03(c)(I).

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Upon receiving the Notice of Abandonment, I reviewed the file but found no Office Action. In addition, I reviewed the records in our CPI patent docketing system; it revealed no record of an Office Action ever having been received by our office. Attached for verification are the records from our CPI patent docketing system.

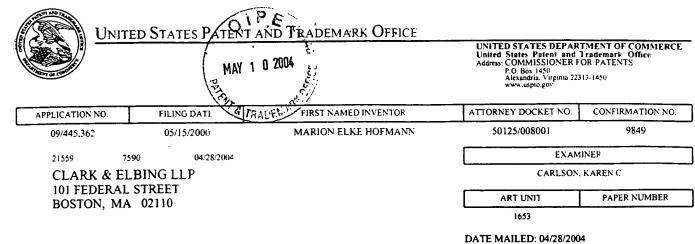
All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 6 May 2004

Karen L. Elbing, Ph.D.

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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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Notice of Abandoninen

Applicant(s) Application No. 09/445,362 HOFMANN ET AL. Art Unit Examiner Karen Cochrane Carlson, 1653

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This application is abandoned in view of:	
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 The letter of express abandonment which is signed b 1.34(a)) upon the filing of a continuing application. 	y an attorney or agent (acting in a representative capacity under 37 CFR
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Petitions to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b), or requests to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, should be promptly filed to minimize any negative effects on patent term.
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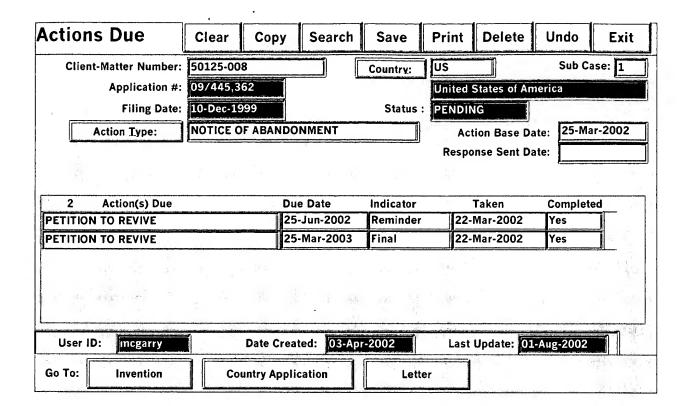
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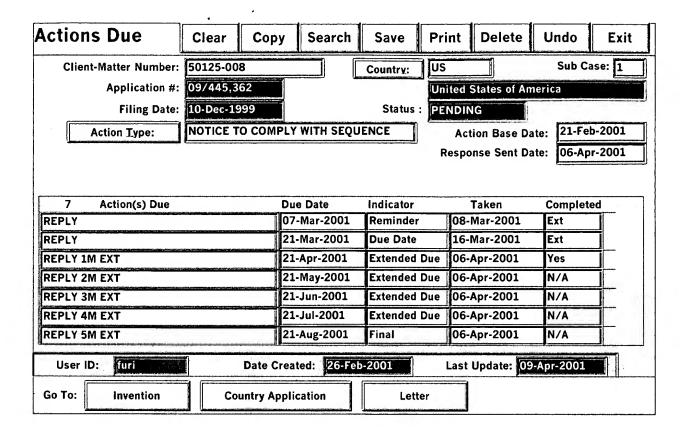
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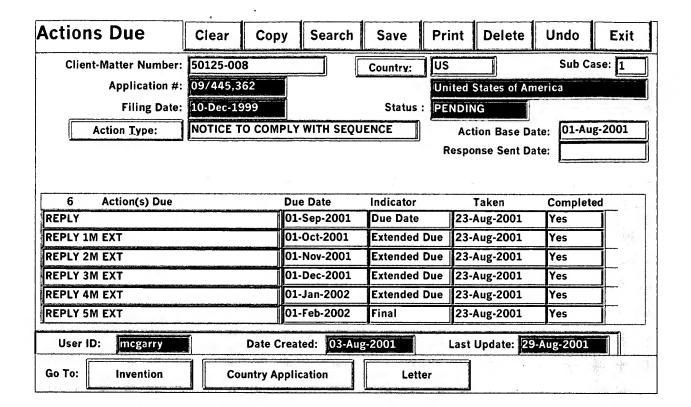
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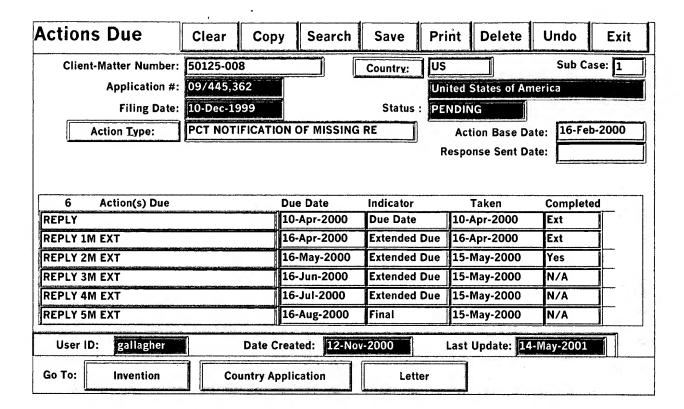
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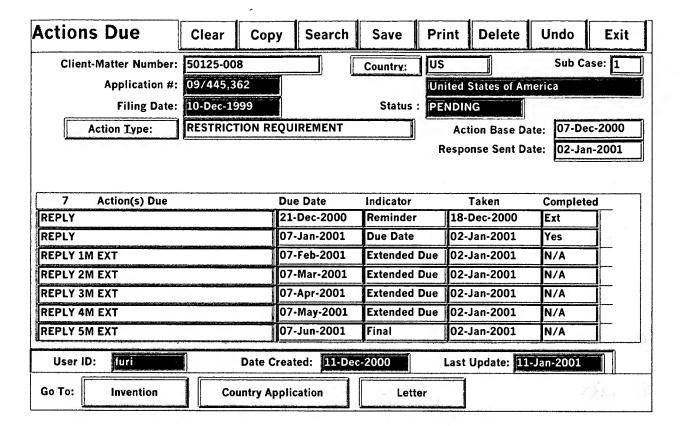




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